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FM AMCONSUL JOHANNESBURG

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3655

INFO AMEMBASSY PRETORIA

AMCONSUL CAPE TOWN

AMCONSUL DURBAN

AMEMBASSY BLANTYRE

AMEMBASSY GABORONE

AMEMBASSY MASERU

AMEMBASSY MBABANE

UNCLAS JOHANNESBURG 1374

CAPE TOWN ALSO FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11762: N/A

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SUBJECT: MINE RIOTING SPREADS TO JOHANNESBURG AS DISCONTENTED

BLACKS FAIL TO OBSERVE USUAL CHRISTMAS LULL

REF: JOHANNESBURG'S 1366

1. WITH ABOUT 2000 MALAWIANS STILL DEMANDING REPRATRIATION AND REFUSING TO REPORT FOR WORK AT IMPALA PLATINUM'S BAFOKENG MINE NEAR RUSTENBURG (REFTEL) VIOLENCE INVOLVING MALAWIANS ERUPTED EVENING OF DECEMBER 22 AT TWO MINES WITHIN CITY LIMITS OF JOHANNESBURG (CROWN MINE AND VILLAGE MAIN MINE).

2. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS ABOUT 150 HEAVILY-ARMED POLICE PREVENTED FIGHTING AT CROWN MINE'S #5 COMPOUND (WHICH HOUSES ABOUT 400 WORKERS) FROM DEVELOPING INTO MAJOR RIOT AND SIMULTANEOUSLY ARRESTED UNSPECIFIED NUMBER OF "AGITATORS."

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3. THERE DO NOT APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN ANY DEATHS OR SERIOUS
INJURIES AND POLICE APPEAR TO HAVE RESTORED ORDER AT BOTH MINES
BY MORNING OF DECEMBER 23.
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